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High: 67, Low: 50



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Sunny/Windy
High: 68, Low: 49

CAMPUS SAFETY

you'll never walk alone

...especially after the recent e-mails about assaults on campus.
But is the increased hype really true?
Turns out the stats haven't increased greatly - just the e-mails.

By Ryan Sullivan
Reporter

In response to the recent attacks on campus, University officials are working to make the campus more secure for everyone.

As most students know, there have been two violent attacks on campus in the past few months and this has led some students to question their safety on campus.

This is unnecessary, according to the campus Chief of Police James Weigand.

"[This year over past years] there are no changes in the number of incidents," Weigand said. "What is a change this year is the level of violence."

There have been more severe injuries this year than in years past, several of the victims needed to go to the Wood County Hospital, Weigand said.

"I can't give a specific reason why it occurs," Weigand said. "Sometimes it's the chemistry of individuals involved. I can't give a complete reason why."

Weigand said the sexual assault case is still under investigation by the city police, but there are also two investigations underway by campus police, including the incident from Offenbauer earlier this month.

Kim McBroom, Associate Vice President of Marketing and Communications for the University, helps spread the word after an attack.

"[After an attack] e-mails have been sent out and papers distributed to the dorms and around campus," McBroom said.

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University 2006 crime stats:

AGGRAVATED ASSAULT

13 MIAMI
6 CINCINNATI
4 TOLEDO
3 OHIO
3 BGSU
0 KENT STATE

SEXUAL OFFENSES

18 CINCINNATI
10 BGSU
9 MIAMI
4 OHIO
0 TOLEDO
0 KENT STATE

BURGLARY

100 TOLEDO
64 CINCINNATI
51 MIAMI
45 OHIO
38 BGSU
25 KENT STATE

Images: Assault is a violent crime that involves the use of force or threat of force to cause harm or fear. Sexual offenses include sexual assault, sexual harassment, and sexual exploitation. Burglary is the unlawful entry into a building or structure with the intent to commit a crime.

Buehrer makes false accusations on Latta

Elections Commission rules in favor of Latta

By Tim Sampson
City Editor

The Ohio Elections Commission ruled yesterday that information put forth by a political action committee and distributed by a local congressional campaign was false.

But the commission did not find reason to issue any fines against the Club for Growth or the congressional campaign of State Sen. Steve Buehrer, R-Delta, for issuing false statements against State Rep. Bob Latta, R-Bowling Green.

Latta, who is currently running against Buehrer in the Republican primary for the 5th district congressional special election, filed a complaint with the Elections Commission on Oct. 1.

Latta said printed campaign materials from Club for Growth



Steve Buehrer
State Senator
running against
Latta in the
Republican primary



BOB LATT
State
Representative
from Bowling
Green

endorsing Buehrer distorted his record on a 1998 tax increase.

The endorsement said Latta voted for a \$1 billion tax increase while serving in the Ohio Senate, but did not mention how Latta only voted to put the proposed increase on a statewide voter referendum.

The commission determined the information created by Club for Growth and distributed by the Buehrer campaign regarding the tax increase was false, said Phil Richter, executive director of the

Ohio Election Commission.

But Richter said the commission decided there was no need to impose any penalties on Club for Growth or the Buehrer campaign.

"The ruling itself is punishment enough," Richter said.

Matt Parker, a spokesman for Latta's campaign, applauded the ruling and criticized Club for Growth, which is based in Washington, D.C., for its

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Bar tips ensure better service

By Ryan Sullivan
Reporter

Next time students go to pay for a drink, they should take into account the price of speedy service.

People pour into bars every night of the week in Bowling Green and are forced to answer the question of whether or not it is worth it to drop a dollar in their bartender's tip jar.

How much you choose to leave might just effect how fast or how high of quality your drinks are for the rest of the night.

Bartenders make most of their money from tips because their base pay is usually only that of a server in a restaurant—so they really depend on the generosity of the customer to pay the bills.

"I can hit rent on a good weekend," bartender Brandon Stratton said. "If you make good drinks and use some of your tip money to give people drinks, they tip better and keep coming back to you."

Stratton said the average tip should be anywhere between

"People who are drunk usually tip better, especially if you flirt with them and put on a good show."

Brandon Stratton | Bartender

\$1 to \$3 depending on the quality, price and alcohol content of the drink.

"People who are drunk usually tip better, especially if you flirt with them and put on a good show," Stratton said.

Ziggy Zoomba's owner, Bob Everhart, said bartenders should serve better tippers more quickly and has seen bartenders pick out customers over a thirsty crowd because of good tips.

But good tips usually aren't a problem in a college town like Bowling Green.

"College students are usually more generous tippers and less demanding than most older

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Bush's veto on child health care remains

By David Espo
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Democratic-controlled House failed on yesterday to override President Bush's veto of a politically popular children's health bill, and the White House instantly called for compromise talks on a replacement.

"As long as the bottom line is that 10 million children are covered. That's non-negotiable," responded Speaker Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif. She pledged that new legislation would be ready within two weeks, and within hours, key lawmakers met to consider changes in the vetoed measure.

The maneuvering followed a 273-156 vote that left supporters 13 short of the two-thirds majority needed to prevail in a bruising veto struggle between congressional Democrats and a politically weakened Republican president.

It was Bush's third veto of the year. He has yet to be overridden, although Democrats say they will succeed in doing so on a water projects bill that soon will go to the White House.

"We won this round," said White House press secretary Dana Perino, despite an aggressive advertising campaign on the insurance bill by Democratic allies that was aimed at GOP lawmakers.

Democrats cited public opinion polls that showed overwhelming support for a health care expansion and they predicted some Republicans would pay a heavy

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Welcome home Bhutto bomb, 126 dead

By Matthew Pennington
The Associated Press

KARACHI, Pakistan — A suicide bombing in a crowd welcoming former Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto killed at least 126 people Wednesday night, shattering her celebratory procession through Pakistan's biggest city after eight years in exile.

Two explosions went off near a truck carrying Bhutto, but police and officials of her party said she was not injured and was hurried to her house. An Associated Press photo showed a dazed-looking Bhutto being helped away.

Officials at six hospitals in Karachi reported 126 dead and 248 wounded. It was believed to be the deadliest bomb attack in

Pakistan's history.

Bhutto flew home to lead her Pakistan People's Party in January parliamentary elections, drawing cheers from supporters massed in a sea of the party's red, green and black flags. The police chief said 150,000 were in the streets, while other onlookers estimated twice that.

The throngs reflected Bhutto's enduring political clout, but she has made enemies of Islamic militants by taking a pro-U.S. line and negotiating a possible political alliance with Pakistan's military ruler, President Gen. Pervez Musharraf.

An estimated 20,000 security

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AP PHOTO

DRAMATIC RETURN: TV screen shot captures deadly bombs as they greeted Pakistan's former Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto.

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officers had been deployed to protect Bhutto and her cavalcade of motorized rickshaws, colorful buses, cars and motorcycles.

Authorities had urged Bhutto to use a helicopter to reduce the risk of attack amid threats from extremists sympathetic to the Taliban and al-Qaida, but she brushed off the concerns.

"I am not scared. I am thinking of my mission," she had told reporters on the plane from Dubai. "This is a movement for democracy because we are under threat from extremists and militants."

Last month, Bhutto told CNN she realized she was a target. Islamic militants, she said, "don't believe in women governing nations, so they will try to plot against me, but these are risks that must be taken. I'm prepared to take them."

Leaving the airport, Bhutto refused to use a bulletproof glass cubicle that had been built atop the truck taking her to the tomb of Pakistan's founding father, Mohammed Ali Jinnah, to give a speech. She squeezed between other party officials along a railing at the front and rode high above the street.

CORRECTION POLICY

We want to correct all factual errors. If you think an error has been made, call The BG News at 419-372-6966.

The headline to an Associated Press story in yesterday's The BG News mistakenly said Benazir Bhutto was the current prime minister of Pakistan. Bhutto is a former prime minister.

A story in the Halloween Haunt special section yesterday contained several inaccuracies regarding the Haunted Hydro, a haunted house in Fremont, Ohio. This is the Hydro's 18th year of operations. It is open Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays through Oct. 28. It is not open Thursdays. Hours of operation are: 7:30-11:30 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, and 7:30-10:30 p.m. Sundays and Halloween. Tickets are \$10 for a single attraction, \$15 for both attractions.

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This also helps to ensure off-campus students receive the message so they know to be more cautious.

These e-mails are a part of a new program the University has launched to let students know when an incident has occurred and to be cautious.

"Crime alert e-mails started this year," Weigand said. "It's a much more effective way to give notices to students, staff and faculty and much faster."

The system was in the discussion stage last year after the Virginia Tech massacre and was put into place earlier this year.

Mike Freyaldenhoven, Rodgers hall director, said some hall directors have started programs in their dorms to make sure students are aware of crime on campus. They have also made sure their residents are educated on how to protect themselves. He said his approach is concentrated on a front line defense.

"[Hall directors] all started conversations with other build-

BGSU CRIME

| | 2007 | 2006 | 2005 | 2004 |
|------------------|------|------|------|------|
| Physical Assault | 7 | 6 | 6 | 4 |
| Sexual Assault | 2 | 2 | 2 | 3 |
| Burglary | 6 | 3 | 5 | 4 |
| Theft | 49 | 48 | 51 | 50 |

Source: www.bgsu.edu/offices/safety

ings and staff to create a sense of community and to know who lives in the building," Freyaldenhoven said.

This is important because the residents should be able to know if somebody is in the building who shouldn't be and if something suspicious is going on, Freyaldenhoven said. Rodgers is looking at starting a self-defense program for the women of the dorm, he said.

There are several steps University students can take to decrease their risk of being assaulted.

Some simple things that can be done include going places in groups after dark, always making sure doors and windows are locked and knowing who to call in the area in the case of an emergency, according to a crime alert from the Office of Public

Safety Web page.

Students should also pay more attention to their surroundings and call the police immediately if they notice something suspicious in the area.

Weigand recommends calling the 2-Ride van or the campus escort service if they have any doubts about their safety.

According to University crime reports, physical and sexual assaults, as well as theft, have all stayed consistent with averages for the last three years.

University students and staff should not be worried about the perceived rise in crime. Weigand said there isn't more crime being committed but instead an effort being made by the University to get the word out to the people on campus, to the people who need it the most.

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price at the polls for sticking with Bush.

At a cost of \$35 billion over five years, the vetoed measure would have added nearly 4 million uninsured children to the insurance program. It provides coverage for those who are not poor enough to qualify for Medicaid, but whose families cannot afford private health care.

"You either stand with our children or you stand against them," said Rep. Jim Clyburn of South Carolina, a member of the Democratic leadership. "There is no in between."

Critics said that the bill was a step toward socialized medicine, that too many adults benefited and that despite an explicit prohibition, it would allow the children of illegal immigrants to gain coverage.

Democrats do "not want a low income children's plan," said Rep. Dave Camp, R-Mich.

BLOTTER WEDNESDAY

8:01 A.M.

Overnight someone stole a cement goose wearing an Cleveland Indians jersey from the yard of a home on Klotz Road.

10:16 A.M.

Sometime overnight, the driver's side window of a car parked on Fairview Avenue was broken out and a Sirius satellite radio was taken. The total estimated cost of loss and damage is \$500.

5:46 P.M.

A bicyclist was struck by a vehicle at the intersection of Thurston Avenue and Court Street.

11:57 P.M.

A vehicle drove off from a gas station on East Wooster Street without paying for \$50.52 worth of fuel.

THURSDAY

1:17 A.M.

Brandon A. Roehrig, 19, of Defiance, Ohio, was cited for underage drinking in a parking lot on North Main Street.

ONLINE: Read Go to bgnews.com for the complete blotter list.

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involvement in the 5th district race.

"Club for Growth is desperate to make northwest Ohio into their political playground," Parker said.

But a spokesman for Buehrer's campaign, Jim Banks, dismissed the ruling as trivial, saying Latta's complaints are a meant to distract voters.

"This isn't even an issue we're concerned about," Banks said. "This is just a desperate attempt by the Latta campaign to avoid talking about the issues and his record."

Banks said the Buehrer campaign is currently looking into filing its own complaint with the Ohio Election Commission against Latta's campaign.

Banks did not mention a specific allegation that a complaint might be filed against, but referenced a mailer and several television ads from Latta that he said were "blatantly false."

Shortly before yesterday's ruling, Club for Growth announced they spent \$100,000 on a new television ad denouncing Latta's record on taxes.

Among a number of tax increases referenced, the ad specifically mentions a 2003 Ohio House vote to increase the state gas tax from 22 to 28 cents a gallon. But the ad fails to mention Buehrer sponsored the six cent increase.

Nachama Soloveichik, a spokesperson for Club for Growth, said the allegation is made in response to an ad from Latta that said Buehrer approved the gas tax increase but failed to mention Latta's own support.

"They didn't have a problem putting that in their ad," Soloveichik said. "We're telling the other side of the story."

Latta also came under fire yesterday for other campaign advertisements.

Project Vote Smart, a national voter advocacy group, accused Latta of using information from its database in a negative attack against Buehrer.

The organization gathers information on political candidates through surveys and compiles them into a database, said Mike Wessler, a spokesman for the Project.

Wessler said his organization does not allow any of their information to be used in negative political ads. But in a direct mail ad, Latta used information from a 2002 Project Vote Smart survey to say Buehrer was against prayer in public schools.

According to a statement issued from Project Vote Smart, "This kind of negative campaign activity is precisely the sort of tactic that the Project attempts to counter with its factual database."

But Parker said Latta's campaign is justified in using the information.

"It doesn't matter what [Project Vote Smart] approves of or not," Parker said. "It's public information."

Latta and Buehrer are currently competing to replace the late U.S. Rep. Paul Gillmor, R-Tiffin, who died in September.

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customers when they aren't even good tipppers," Everhart said.

Stratton also believes college students tip well, and based off his experience, said people within the ages of 21 to 35 generally tip between \$2 to \$5 per drink, especially if it's not the first time they have enjoyed a drink or a conversation with the bartender.

But sometimes slow service is not the bartender's fault, and a crowded bar provides customers with a good opportunity to practice patience.

Besides tipping, Everhart said there are some general rules of etiquette bar hoppers should abide by.

"Expect to be carded," Everhart said. "People who turn 21 two weeks ago and act like it is some big offense to them every time anybody asks to see

some ID."

Self control will also determine service.

Everhart said not to expect service if you are intoxicated because it is against the law to serve somebody who is clearly inebriated.

But getting smashed is what Jonathon Neu, junior, believes bar-hopping is all about.

"I try not to get too blacked out that I can't walk home on my own," Neu said.

And for students who have similar drinking agendas to Neu's, they must remember to always remain courteous and responsible.

Everhart, who resembles the statue of Zeus he keeps behind his bar, said he is a firm believer in standing behind his staff if a belligerent customer tries to start anything.

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8 a.m. - 11 p.m.

**Muslim student association
prayer room**
204 Olscamp

8 a.m. - 9 p.m.

**The chronology of human
relationships**
130 Union

9 a.m. - 9 p.m.

Nerf bullseye contest
Outdoor space Union Mall

10:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Sweetest day basket raffle
Table space 118-8 Union

11 a.m. - 1 p.m.

BGSU relay for life team
Table space 118-4 Union

11 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Warm-up BG scarf sale Table
Space 118-5 Union

12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.

**Linguistics brown bag lec-
ture series**
209 Education Building

1 p.m. - 2:15 p.m.

Group resume critiques
116 Conklin North

5 - 7 p.m.

Transcendence meeting
107 Hanna Hall

7 - 10 p.m.

**PUSH America empathy
dinner**
308 Union

8:00 p.m.

Newcomers showcase
Joe E. Brown Theatre

9:30 p.m. - 11 p.m.

**UAO presents
"Transformers"**
Union Theater**CAMPUS
BRIEFS****Two charged in recent
laptop theft**

Two students are being charged in connection with the theft of two laptop computers and smaller personal items.

Police are not releasing the names of the students, one of whom is being charged with burglary and theft, the other

with receiving stolen property and intimidation of a victim of a crime.

Police have recovered one of the missing laptops and are working to secure the other. Scott Sauer, campus police detective, said he doesn't believe the two thefts are connected to the other five laptop thefts mentioned in the crime alert email. That investigation is still on-going.

MUSIC CLASS LEARNS BY DOING

JORDAN FLOWER | THE BG NEWS

MUSICIANS' WORKSHOP: Tom (DJ Whisper Friend) Wade works on his turntables in a non-formal class. The class is taught by Dr. Thanatos and is sponsored by WBGU. There will be a formal workshop this summer.**University newbies get the chance to shine**

The annual Newcomers Showcase spotlights music and theater students as they perform short plays and songs

By Tannen Gliatta
Reporter

First year and transfer students are getting the chance to be in the spotlight this weekend at the annual Newcomers Showcase.

The showcase features over 30 music and theater students new to the University who will be performing musical numbers and one-act pieces that focus on communication.

Sara Turner, manager of the theater business operations, said the event is an opportunity for new students to showcase their talent without having to compete with upperclassmen and feel intimidated.

Having the program early in the year also proves to be an advantage for students, said faculty advisor Sara Chambers.

"We hope students connect and gain friendships by working on the program that they will carry with them throughout their BGSU careers and beyond," Chambers said. "It's also a good way to become part of the theater program right off the bat and a way to learn more about pursuing a theater major."

Richard Kennell, dean of the College of Musical Arts, said the performances can be enlightening for audiences as well.

"It's a hoot, the audience gets to look into the future and see these

performers just a few months into their careers," Kennell said. "The Newcomers Showcase is one of my favorite events of the fall, it's very inspiring."

The numbers the students will be performing were written by women with the common theme of communication and relationships.

"Some of the acts deal with serious issues and others are ridiculous and lighthearted, but each act is about making connections with each other and trying to figure out relationships," Chambers said. "Audiences can come, have a few laughs and enjoy beautiful songs."

Turner said audience recep-

tion has been positive for the Newcomer Showcase in the past.

"This is a different type of show with the music, acting and theme. It helps to break up the action and create a fun and different experience for the audience," she said.

The music and theater departments collaborate on the project together each year hoping to get as many students involved as possible, Chambers said.

The showcase is tomorrow and Sunday at 2 p.m. in the Joe E. Brown Theatre. Tickets can be purchased for \$12 at the BGSU Theatre Box Office located in University Hall.

New Facebook application helps people find datesBy Katie McLaughlin
U-WIRE

BLACKSBURG, Va. — A new Facebook application recently developed allows users to potentially meet people online who they are interested in dating.

The new application has the unique feature of anonymously clicking on someone's profile, letting them know you are interested in them, without having the person know unless they click on your profile as well.

The application was developed by lamFreeTonight.com, and is currently the most-used dating application on Facebook.

Cliff Lerner, CEO of lamFreeTonight.com, said the application is simple and easy to use.

"All you do is type in your information such as your country and state, and basically we'll just show you pictures of people and where they are located," Lerner said. "You can just click whether you like them or you

don't and you can do that anonymously or you can tell the person. If you click it anonymously, then they will not know unless they click you too."

The application has been out for two months, has more than two million people signed up and has over 200,000 people logging in every day to actively use it. The application stemmed from the popularity of the full-fledged dating Web site. The Web site is much more in-depth versus the Facebook application.

"On the Web site you can put more information on your profile than you can on the Facebook application," Lerner said. "It's better advanced searching and you can search down within your zip code, college, ethnicity, religion, interest and all of that."

In addition to the Web site enabling users to have more information on each other, the Web site also has two features that no other dating Web site

See **FACEBOOK** | Page 6**Technology targets car chases**By Matt Sbrogna
U-WIRE

CHESTNUT HILL, Mass. — Regardless of harsh punishments and terribly low success rates, people still run from the police. Patrol-car chases may be a staple of today's action movies and make for good reality shows on Court TV, but all too often, they damage property and police cars, and injure innocent bystanders. There are more than 30,000 police chases every year, resulting in more than 300 deaths and 7,500 injuries.

General Motors announced recently that nearly 2 million of its 2009 models will be equipped with a new version of OnStar that will allow police departments to disable vehicles' engines. OnStar already had GPS capabilities, so police have been able to locate not only stolen vehicles, but also vehicles that have gotten away during a chase.

With this new model of OnStar, police will determine if a car is equipped with OnStar

once they begin chasing the car. If the vehicle is so equipped, the police will request that OnStar disable the vehicle.

OnStar will then send an electronic signal to the car, much like the one it would send to unlock car doors, except this signal interfaces with the car's drive train. An OnStar representative's voice will then come through the car's stereo speakers notifying the driver that the vehicle is being stopped at the request of law enforcement officers and to pull over to the side of the road and surrender. The engine will keep running, the power steering and brakes will still work, but the car will be unable to accelerate, resulting in it being forced to coast to a safe stop.

The system is designed to cut down the number of police chases that put the police, those on the run, and other drivers in danger. Because of public safety

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TEXAS HOLD 'EM TOURNAMENT
Proceeds benefit the Wood County Humane Society

November 10th and 11th

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PEOPLE ON THE STREET

What's your most memorable Jack-o-Lantern moment? [See story, p. 7]



"[Carving them] in fourth grade. It was a mess, everybody's hands were a mess."
TIM DELNAY,
Sophomore, Music Education



"When we decorated them when we were new members of Kappa Kappa Gamma."
MEGAN NOWAK,
Junior, Dietetics



"This one I turned into a mini-bonfire, filled with matchsticks and candles."
TAG MURPHY,
Junior, Creative Writing



"I've never carved a pumpkin."
HALLIE TEAGUE,
Senior, Special Education

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NATE BEELER | MCT

Your 'depression' debunked



ALLY BLANKARTZ
COLUMNIST

"Observe your peers for a period of time; soon your ears will begin to hearken to fantastical tales of abhorred teachers, foul classmates and the bane of every student's existence: The evil incarnate, group projects!"

My life is in shambles! If my life were a prime-time sitcom, this idiom would be our catch phrase. The amount of instances that my friends and I pepper our conversations with this colloquialism, is enough to render the sanest of mental capacities into a state of temporary lunacy. The problem with our verbose bemoaning of our seemingly deplorable life situations, is that more oft than naught, individuals from our generation have a predisposition for the dramatic. Perhaps an overabundance of prime-time sitcoms are to blame.

Allow me to illustrate my point, observe your peers for a period of time; soon your ears will begin to hearken to fantastical tales of abhorred teachers, foul classmates and the bane of every student's existence: The evil incarnate, group projects! All these lamenting climaxes in your compatriot letting the d-word slip. No, not dammit — depressed. The culmination of their saga through daily struggle ends with their self-assured declaration that they are depressed.

However, if every schmuck who ever felt a moment of sadness was able to accurately diagnose the development of clinical depression, I would be without a future. The bottom line being, simply because you have endured a bout of sadness resulting from an abysmal test score or the cancellation of your favorite television program, does not merit you the credentials to accurately identify and diagnose clinical depression!

The dilemma that arises revolving this issue is the assumption by most individuals that by experiencing a sensation once, they are suddenly doctoral experts on the phenomenon. So I charge myself with the task of education. Hopefully I can unmask the mood disorder known as depression.

A prevalent misinterpretation by multitudinous individuals dipping into the study of psychology is mental disorders are limited in their destructive symptoms to the human psyche alone. This is an erroneous conception; mental disorders are equal opportunity wreckers. Depression alone can wreck negative symptoms on major areas of human functioning: Emotions, motivational drive, behavior, cognition and physiology. While sadness is a staple symptom of depression, sadness alone hardly merits an official prognosis. Traditionally accepted emotional symptoms of depression include feelings of general misery, a "hollow, empty" feeling, humiliation or shame, worthlessness and on the extreme end of the emotional spectrum — suicidal tendencies.

Emotions are not the only aspects of an individual suffering depression that are subjected to torment; the individual's motivation deteriorates to near non-existence. The individual will lack the basic drive to complete daily tasks such as practicing hygiene, rousing in the morning for class and completing school assignments.

Motivational slump will also spread to affect the individual's sense of spontaneity causing them to relinquish former personal interests and initiatives. These motivational distortions bleed into the behavioral effects that depression suffers experience, which encompasses a

regression by the individual into a vegetative state of abnormal eating and sleeping patterns with little to no physical activity to supplement these behavioral turnovers.

Cognitively speaking, the individual will begin to foster negative thoughts regarding their dexterity to perform daily routine. Nugatory mistakes customarily attributed to human error, will be shouldered by the individual, who will hold themselves personally accountable for every misfortune that is endeared to us by simply living the human existence.

Concentration will also be impaired, rendering the individual unable to resolve daily decisions and plaguing the individual with extreme difficulty concerning the task of thinking. Finally a slew of biological disturbances ranging from a lack of energy to migraines and abdominal pain can scourge an individual suffering from depression.

Keeping in mind that I am no doctor, and the information I provided is rather like a crash course in identifying depression, hopefully it can help to demystify this condition that approximately 17 percent of the population will undergo at some interval in their life span. One must also bear in mind that to wholly meet the criteria for depression prognosis, at least five of the listed symptoms must be experienced consistently for at least a two week time span.

Stipulations aside, I can only hope that if nothing else, a clearer discernment of depression can be achieved and us, psychology majors, can sleep again at night knowing our future is secure.

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New technology, new ways for your stuff to get stolen



NICK HARVEY
COLUMNIST

Everyone should know a locked car is an awful place to leave something valuable. Laptops, iPods, the one ring or those pictures from one night you'd rather forget, are all things that should be locked up in a safe place. Unfortunately, this seemingly common knowledge seems to be uncommon.

From Oct. 8 to Oct. 15, University police responded to 10 vehicle break-ins. I guess they were not technically break-ins because nine of the 10 vehicles were unlocked. Many people have lost their iPods, CD players, GPS systems and spare change between their seat cushions. Even though the loss of an iPod to a college student is near equal to the loss of a family member, it could have been worse. They could have lost a laptop containing the personal information of 10,000 Home Depot employees. Unfortunately, this is the

case for a Home Depot regional manager in Massachusetts. Somehow the laptop was stolen from the impenetrable fortress in which he stored it (in his car in his driveway.) Leaving a laptop in a car is a good way to make it disappear. Leaving one that has been dipped in social security numbers is just plain reckless.

If stored in a car, the only thing between a \$1,500 laptop with priceless information and the envious eyes of a passer-by is a piece of glass. Glass that could be easily shattered by just about anything. A rock, a baseball bat, or a solid head-butt could make it through a piece of glass. When the security of so many people is at stake, these laptops need to be taken better care of. If my social security number is on someone's computer, it better not be sitting shotgun of their car.

This is just one case in a long line of laptop heists that has jeopardized the privacy and security of countless employees. A little over a month ago, Gap Inc. lost a laptop with the information of 800,000 employees and applicants on it. The University of Iowa lost a laptop on Oct. 9 putting 184 students

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at risk of identity theft. A second company, Administaff, in just the last week, announced they had a laptop stolen. They lost the information of 159,000 employees.

In this age of convenience, the smaller the better. Laptops are practical for homework, taking notes in classes or business purposes. One thing they are apparently not good for is carrying confidential information. Once something like a computer becomes mobile, it is bad news for security because if it can be carried, it can be lost or left in a car. If all private information was left on desktop computers, it would be a little harder to make an inconspicuous get away.

Another idea is to simply store the employee data in a safe place. It would reduce the amount of hardware storing this information and thus reduce the possibility of a theft. This would be putting all the eggs in one basket, but it would be better than having employees carry this information with them.

For those who absolutely need to carry the social security numbers of all their employees, there is some hope. Password protec-

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The immigrant's responsibility



SEAN MARTIN
COLUMNIST

"There is a nation out there that has an immigration policy that is more brutal than the one the United States uses: Mexico."

Those of you who think the U.S. government and its citizenry have forgotten our immigrant heritage, or have the most horrific immigration laws, you need to simply look at other nations to see the truth. There is a nation out there that has an immigration policy that is more brutal than the one the United States uses: Mexico. Ah yes, the same Mexico that criticizes us and gives us grief when we try and crackdown on illegal aliens. Don't believe me? Look at their constitution and see what it says about immigrants. If you read it right, immigration law is in the Mexican Constitution and, unlike the United States Constitution, hundreds of offices and job are out of bounds for foreigners in Mexico.

Want to be a Supreme Court Justice, military officer, airline crew or merely an elected representative? Think again. Mexico prohibits these jobs specifically in the writing of

articles 32, 33, 55, 91, 95 and prohibits even more through federal law. Applying for the same job as a Mexican citizen? Kiss that job goodbye since Mexican citizens have priority over you since you are an immigrant. Have trouble speaking Spanish properly? Too bad for you since all business is done in their national language, and forget about being able to use welfare programs or food stamps, those are reserved for Mexican citizens only. Another little funny thing is you can be expelled without any legal proceedings if the government deems that your removal is necessary. Looks like we have a pretty fair setup for immigrants here considering the difficult conditions that immigrants faced when looking at history which we have not forgotten.

My point is that we are not the country that forgot its history; it is quite on the contrary. I acknowledge it and hold others to the same standards as my immigrant ancestors. I actually

have two uncles who both are immigrants that came to this country the legal way (since it's a long way to swim from Egypt and Australia and they couldn't dig a deep enough tunnel). They have followed all the rules and did not ask for handouts or special concessions: They waited years to become citizens and paid lots of money and passed tests to do so.

On my mother's side, my ancestors came from Ireland, which is one of the more heavily persecuted groups in American and European history, and Italy. They did not expect to have the world cater to every single problem they had — they learned how to assimilate into the American culture. They didn't complain about not voting because of their lack of citizenship. They took and passed the tests. They learned English since schools did not teach in Italian, they learned to support themselves

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To the losers go the spoils



CHAD
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COLUMNIST

Last month, the Federal Reserve did something it hadn't in a good many years: It decreased interest rates nation-wide in an attempt to curb recession.

This fact is not anything to worry about, indeed, most people don't even know what it means. But to those with a bit of understanding in economics, they know a recession has hit and it's bad enough to require corrective measures.

Recession is a word that may be a bit difficult to define. Often, it's reserved for times when unemployment is rising, and usually indicated by periods of decline in the Gross Domestic Product.

For years, according to a recent column in the Wall Street Journal, the Federal Reserve has been following a model called the Taylor Rule when deciding how to deal with the nation's economy. The Taylor Rule essentially states that when unemployment is low, and the GDP is high, the Federal Reserve ought to raise interest rates. And, when the GDP is low, and unemployment high, the Fed ought to lower interest rates.

Essentially, the Federal Reserve believes us to be in a period of recession, indicated by a low GDP and high unemployment. Following this rule, according to that same column, has successfully reduced the amount of time that our country has spent in recession over the last few decades.

I don't want to propose any sort of economic panacea, but one of the factors which induces inflation — unemployment — can be easily remedied with a bit of ingenuity.

For starters, it doesn't really make much sense to take money we have and invest it in something that has a very poor chance of giving you a return. If I were trying to make sure my family had more money, for instance, I wouldn't take our life savings and spend it in Las Vegas.

If it were my goal to raise only the wealth of my family, I'd probably create my own business and employ all of my family members. I'd pay them decent wages, of course, but I would take the profits and always try to reinvest into the business. In this way, all of the earnings my business gathered would essentially stay in

"Internal maintenance ... can be accomplished at a fraction of the cost of the war in Iraq."

the family.

In my infantile understanding of economics, I think that this same sort of philosophy would hold very true. That if one were concerned with the economic well-being of an entire nation, he or she would not gamble on something with little odds for success.

And how about investing in your own business? How can that be achieved on a national level? Well, how about paying attention to the things that are falling apart? For instance, the Army Corps of Engineers regularly publishes a list of bridges and levees that need repair. Employing companies to do these general repairs would not only be a positive investment in the domestic economy, but also create jobs for thousands of people.

The real beauty of paying attention to internal maintenance is it can be accomplished at a fraction of the cost of the war in Iraq. At this point in time, the war has cost the American taxpayers over 300 billion dollars, and the wave of response has not been too promising (decreased worldwide reputation, Iraqi strife and domestic demoralization toward the war).

With such heavy losses, it's hard to see why anyone might hold out that the war can be rectified. And at this point, I'm having trouble imagining what a victory in Iraq would even look like.

But it seems the American psyche is fundamentally opposed to the word "lose." But I'm equally unimpressed with people's ability to define what it is to lose the war in Iraq as I am when I ask what a win would look like.

Regardless, I think it's high time Americans accept sometimes it's OK to lose things. Even a world-class tennis player can lose Wimbledon from time to time. Or, if that's not a possibility, word games are certainly not out of the question. Surely it's impossible to lose if you control the definition of victory.

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tion, data encryption and programs alert the owner if a laptop is stolen and used to connect to the Internet. Computrace, a program that locates where the stolen laptop is when used to connect to the Internet, only costs about \$3 a month per device.

An article from *FederalTimes.com* reports one in every 10 laptops will be stolen, one every 12 seconds.

This will continue to be the price we will pay for convenience of laptops unless another system is devised. It is detrimental to a company's image and to an individual's security for these laptops to continue floating around wily nilly.

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MARTIN

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when rampant discrimination against the Italians and the Irish went unchecked due to the non-existence of government oversight. They did not fly the flags of their homelands to protest policy since they obviously left Italy and Ireland for a pretty big reason.

Believe it or not, they persevered and I am only a third generation American on my mother's side because they worked hard and did not expect things to change overnight. They realized that Rome was not built in a day and that meant becoming part of a society and country does not happen magically or overnight.

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A new, healthy, private-public partnership

REP. JIM MCDERMOTT | D-WASH.

The fundamental role of government is to protect and serve the people and the fundamental role of business is to produce a profit and serve its shareholders. When it comes to providing health care, we can fuse the best of both worlds to provide health care to the American people.

Let's look briefly at where we are. The number of uninsured Americans is rising while the number of U.S. companies offering a health care benefit to employees is falling. Health care premiums have risen 78 percent in the last six years but wages have risen only 19 percent. The financial health of the American middle class deteriorates every month because of soaring health care costs.

Up against this harsh reality, more Americans have been forced to accept reactive care in an emergency room, because they can't afford access to preventive care. This costs more in dollars and in health. And make no mistake, every-

one pays. You may not be the person forced to seek medical treatment in the emergency room, but you are paying for that visit through higher premiums.

For years we've been told the answer to this crisis rests solely with the private sector. Special interests have funded multi-million dollar fear and smear campaigns to frighten the American people into accepting hype instead of health care. But let's recognize just three facts left out of all those ads: SCHIP, Medicaid and Medicare.

The ads don't tell you these and other programs of care and dignity were created by the government because the private sector failed to provide care for millions of people because it wasn't profitable. Does anyone think we ought to cancel Medicare and let senior citizens go it alone, or not care for poor kids or vulnerable families?

Government led the way before and government must lead the way again. We know from history that well and

decent programs like SCHIP and Medicare had to be created by government.

If anyone says you can't trust government, ask them who they trust to protect America from terrorist threats, protect consumers from unsafe products in the marketplace, protect airline travelers by ensuring we have safe skies.

Government can provide the leadership and free the private sector to provide the services, innovation and efficiency. A universal plan would cover every American care that is financed publicly, but implemented privately.

In any insurance program, rates are determined by the risk pool — fewer people in the pool equates to higher risk — and higher prices since companies have a duty to make a profit. Today, risk is divided into thousands, if not millions of individual segments across America, which drives up prices and drives people out of the system as rates soar.

But an American health care program would create a national risk pool including

every American — driving risk down to the lowest possible point. The efficiencies and savings would be enormous.

The irony is the more people we cover the lower the cost per person to provide healthcare. The system would eliminate uncompensated care, which every private provider faces today — and the rest of us pay for through higher rates. By providing a national risk pool, we bring enormous clout to the marketplace that benefits everyone.

Under a universal plan we don't interfere with the delivery of healthcare services by the private sector, but we do provide the financial support to drive the system to achieve maximum efficiencies and lower costs. Public and private sectors working together actually work. We do it in time of war. We do it in time of national crisis. We need to do it now, because health care has become a national crisis.

McDermott is a House member from Seattle, Wash.

Finally, good news for textbook prices

THE INDEPENDENT COLLEGIAN

This semester is nearing completion. Soon enough, students will notice those annoying signs around campus urging them to sell their books back to the UT Student Bookstore for extra money. These recurring signs offend any students who have previously taken the advertised advice, finding out that their books, no matter the condition, were worth anywhere from a mere fifth to a tenth of their original price. Students can expect an end to this disgusting exercise in extortion, though.

A bill has been introduced in the Ohio Senate by Senators Tom Roberts (D-5), Teresa Fedor (D-11) and Sue Morano (D-13) that contains a number of different regulations that will seek to lower textbook costs and pre-

vent schools from buying books back at less than half price, among other provisions.

The move is part of the national effort to diminish the financial burden students suffer. Students often are forced to take one or more part-time jobs to afford undergraduate studies but not much else. Others must take out loans with ridiculous interest rates. This is why free food on college campuses resembles something of manna in the desert to students, not to mention the overwhelming contributions students make to Kraft Foods' and Nissin Foods' sales for their inexpensive noodle dishes. For those who go on to graduate school, law school or medical school, this financial servitude does not end and instead increases exponentially.

Obviously, book sales only comprise a small portion of aca-

ademic costs, but this portion of the bill is the most flagrantly and perceptibly perverted. Most students have had or have known someone who bought a book for a class taught by the author. The teacher orders the textbook and then receives royalties for the students' purchases. Publishers also seek to produce newer editions even when they are "educationally unnecessary", according to *Maketextbooksaffordable.org*, to keep students buying the more "updated" versions. This underhanded method not only forces students who could reuse an already purchased book to buy the new edition, but also deprives current owners of the option of selling back the book.

The new bill includes measures to address all of these concerns. If the bill is passed, teachers will no longer be able to collect royalties or otherwise

profit from the utilization of their texts nor will universities be able to buy back textbooks for a price less than half of the original cost.

Bookstores will also be forced to sell independently the various components of a bundled book package. If a student won't use the attached CD, for example, he or she won't have to waste money on something that may or may not be bought back.

This legislation is something that not only students should get behind, but anyone with enough foresight to realize that the swindling of today's collegiate populace leads to the near destitution of tomorrow's workforce.

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Male birth control tested

By David Adewumi
U-WIRE

UNIVERSITY PARK, Pa. — Research presented at a recent conference in Seattle showed significant progress toward introducing a male birth control pill, said Dr. Diana Blithe, the program director for the Contraceptive Development Research Centers Program.

"We're very much closer to having products available," she said.

Blithe confirmed that the University of California at Los Angeles and University of Washington representatives cited research supporting this possibility at the Future of Male Contraception conference.

The conference, held Sept. 27 and 28, addressed progress toward a male contraceptive, including a testosterone-like pill that is already being tested on humans, as well as successful testing in monkeys for a non-hormonal pill.

"A lot of guys will be against it. They will think of it as a 'girl thing'..."

Bryan King | Student

Some students, however, don't think male contraceptives will catch on quickly with the male student population.

Bryan King, Pennsylvania State University sophomore, cited complacency as a barrier to men on campus using it.

"A lot of guys will be against it," he said. "They will think of it as a 'girl thing.' Other guys will be too lazy to take it daily, but I'm sure in time it will be accepted."

Spring Cooper, a health educator at the University Health Services (UHS) who recently completed her Ph.D. in biobehavioral health and teaches a health and

human sexuality class, said a male pill could raise questions between sexually active partners.

"Should the female always be responsible for birth control if they're not using condoms?" she said. "A couple can decide who is putting the pill into their body."

Cooper also pointed out that if the woman has had trouble with birth control, the pill for men could present another option in a relationship.

While the female birth control pill is only available in hormone-controlling formats, non-hormonal pills may become available to men. One of the non-hormonal pills being tested would act as a "sperm-blocker," Cooper said. She said this pill would be a non-permanent alternative to a typically irreversible process like a vasectomy.

Cooper and Simon Holowatz, another UHS health educator, agreed that a determining factor in the success of a male contra-

ceptive pill would be an issue of trust.

Cooper said many female students she has encountered in her class wouldn't trust their male partners to take the pill.

"A woman has a lot more invested in the actual pregnancy, so she may be more likely to take the pill," she said. However, she added that a lot of men in her class said they would be interested in the male pill as a means to relieve problems in relationships.

Daniel Frattura (senior-crime, law and justice) warned against the thinking that the pill will give men free license to pursue sexual activities.

"I think people will say (can have sex all the time), but it still won't block from STDs and all that stuff," he said.

Holowatz agreed.

"Male contraceptives will prevent pregnancy, but... you can still contract a sexually-transmitted infection."

Ex-girlfriend removes boyfriend's ashes from grave

By Jess Mosser
U-WIRE

ATHENS, Ohio - A Roseville, Ohio, woman pleaded not guilty on Wednesday to a charge of felony vandalism after allegedly removing the cremated remains of an old boyfriend from a cemetery.

Martha M. LaFollette, 48, is accused of removing the ashes of Roger Barber from New Marshfield Cemetery near Athens, according to a news release from the Athens County Prosecutor's Office. LaFollette may have taken the remains in retaliation for being barred from the funeral, police said.

The case is uncharted territory for Athens County Prosecutor C. David Warren.

"I have a category of crimes that I like to refer to as 'aggravated stupid,'" he said. "I have been doing this for almost 30 years now and I have never had anyone steal

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David Warren | County Prosecutor

someone's ashes."

The ashes, stolen around June 17, were found several weeks ago at the home of one of LaFollette's relatives in Perry County, Warren said.

LaFollette is set for trial Jan. 20 in Athens County Common Pleas Court. If convicted, she faces a maximum of one year in prison and a \$2,500 fine, Warren said.

LaFollette and Barber lived together in Roseville, about 40 miles north of Athens, for about five years, said Lt. Darrell Cogar of the Athens County Sheriff's Office. Barber died Nov. 11, Warren said.

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has.

"One concept is called Date Now. This is for people who are not so into e-mailing back and forth for days or weeks and they would rather just post when they are free to go out and then other people can just contact them when they are free to go out that night, too," Lerner said. "It's kind of like a calendar. You can check off the date you are free and then you fill in the activity you want. Then you can go to a separate part of the site where you can search for the day of the week that other people want to go out, too."

Jennifer Litt, public relations representative for JamFree Tonight.com, says the other feature, called Wingman, is especially useful for college students. The Wingman feature allows users to ask friends online to be a wingman. You can then search for people

who want to go out on double or group dates.

"I think the number one reason the WingMan feature is so beneficial to college students is because you are able to meet people through groups on the Web site, which other Web sites do not have," Litt said. "There is always safety in numbers."

Jenna Nichols, sophomore communication major at Virginia Tech, thinks the application is a good idea.

"Facebook is used to socialize anyway, so this is a good feature because it just gives people easier ways to do it," Nichols said.

Students can find the Facebook application by going to the directory of applications on Facebook and searching for the "Are you Interested?" feature, as well as by typing <http://apps.facebook.com/yesnomaybe> into their browser.

ONSTAR

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issues, police are often ordered to back off from chases when going through heavily populated areas.

Several groups are protesting OnStar, saying that it is an invasion of privacy. OnStar's onboard computer collects data such as location, speed and time.

Consumers fear that this data, when in the hands of an insurance agency, will be used against them to void a claim because they were driving recklessly or breaking the speed limit.

To date, this consumer concern has been trivial because OnStar's collected data has not been used to deny claims or issue citations.

General Motors also states that customers will have the option of opting out of the police disable feature when purchasing new cars, but they claim that their research indicates 95 percent of customers would want

to take advantage of the feature. Most customers would rather have their stolen vehicle slowly stopped than wrapped around a tree even if it means giving up a small piece of their privacy when driving.

Subscribers may even be able to receive a break on their car insurance by having the system in their car.

Currently, OnStar is exclusive to GM vehicles. OnStar hopes to break its exclusivity contract with GM and install its new system in different makes of cars, not only expanding its business but also making the roads safer.

If OnStar is able to expand to other auto manufacturers, or if a competitor comes in with a similar universal system, these dangerous and often fatal police chases could be a thing of the past.

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The Exorcist

The name of the boy who was subject of the "true" exorcism that inspired Blatty's novel was Ronald Hunkeler. After he was "cured" he went on to attend Gonzaga High School in Washington, DC, graduating in 1954. He was later a scientist with NASA. Understandably, he refuses all interviews regarding his exorcism. At last account, he was rumored to be living in Laurel, MD.

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New Music & Art Festival

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Classical Mystery Tour

Come enjoy a Beatles Tribute this Saturday at 8 p.m. at the Stranahan Theatre. Members of the original cast of Broadway's Beatlemania will perform your Fab Four favorites.

Jeff Dunham

The well-known comedian comes to Toledo! Jeff Dunham will perform his stand-up comedy at the Stranahan on Sunday at 7 p.m.



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This weekend, Friday and Saturday, at 7:30 p.m., Oscar Wilde's classic comedy comes to Tiffin, Ohio. The play will be performed at the Ritz Theatre.

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To exploit your deepest, darkest fears this weekend, go to The Fear Factory in Findlay. Friday and Saturday admission is \$9 per person, and is open until midnight.

THEY SAID IT

"I make Jessica Simpson look like a rock scientist"

--Tara Reid

Quirky show provides unique TV experience

Pushing Daisies is first of its kind on ABC



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DRESSING UP DAISIES: Some of the cast members in "Pushing Daisies" are brought back to life through the touch of Ned the pie-maker. The show airs Wednesday evenings at 8 p.m. on ABC.

By Joe Cunningham
Reviewer

Every fall all of the networks throw a whole bunch of new shows at the masses hoping one of them works out to be a hit. Some succeed, but most fail. This fall is no different, only this year there is a special show on ABC that is not only good, but great, maybe even one of the best shows to come out in years; that show is "Pushing Daisies."

The show tells the story of Ned (Lee Pace), a pie-maker who has the ability to bring the dead back to life with a simple touch, but they can only stay alive for a minute otherwise someone else dies in their place; if he touches them

again then they die for good. He teams up with private detective Emerson Cod (Chi McBride), in order to solve murders and collect the reward. Along the way he meets up with his childhood sweetheart Chuck (Anna Friel), who is one of the murder victims they come across along their travels, he brings her back to life and the trio go around solving murders together.

The show is as unique as they come; it helps when it was created by Bryan Fuller who is responsible such shows as "Dead Like Me" and "Heroes", as well as film director Barry Sonnenfeld of the "Men in Black" fame. They give the show its unique blend of light-hearted comedy and murder,

kind of like "Law and Order" if directed by Jean-Pierre Jeunet.

The only risk this show has is it might be too quirky for some people to handle, and as a result might not get the viewers some other shows would get and ultimately be sacrificed due to low ratings.

Despite being only two episodes into its run though "Pushing Daisies" is easily one of the best shows on television right now, as well as one of the best to hit the airwaves it recent years. It airs on Wednesdays at 8 p.m., and it is definitely must-see TV.

■ Grade: A+
■ Airs: Wednesdays 8:00 ABC

Freaky films on DVD for Halloween

By Randy A. Salas
(MCT)

"You wanna see something really scary?"

That line from "Twilight Zone: The Movie" always gets me. Now, it can give the shivers to a new generation with its debut on DVD.

There's nothing like some fresh blood on disc to put you in the mood for Halloween, just a few weeks away. The 1983 film tribute to Rod Serling's classic TV anthology series is one of four killer titles out this week as part of the annual fall flood of horror DVDs. Including "Twilight Zone" (Warner, \$20), three are new to the format.

For those who like unbridled gore, there's the new film "28 Weeks Later" (Fox, \$30). Classic tales of the macabre come via the third-season set of the vintage TV show "Alfred Hitchcock Presents" (Universal, \$40). And a 25th-anniversary rerelease of "Poltergeist" (Warner, \$20) does the haunted-house routine well.

Besides being the most recent release, "28 Weeks Later" provides the most satisfying experience for DVD viewers who like to delve into supplements about the movie's production. Spanish director Juan Carlos Fresnadillo has crafted a sequel to Danny Boyle's zombie thriller "28 Days Later" that's just as frightening as the original, including one of the most intense opening sequences in recent memory.

Fresnadillo, Boyle and others continually note in the commentary and interviews how they wanted to do something new to advance the first film's story about an England decimated by a quick-spreading virus that sends its crazed victims into a flesh-eating rage. The solution was a chilling account of how the virus tears apart one family.

Deleted scenes, making-of featurettes and an animated graphic novel round out the extras. "28 Days Later" and "28 Weeks Later" also are out on high-definition Blu-ray Disc (\$40 each).

"Alfred Hitchcock Presents: Season Three," which many fans consider its best outing, has no extras, but it doesn't need any. The five-disc set contains 39 episodes from the Emmy-winning series, totaling 17 hours of viewing pleasure. Highlights include "The Glass Eye" — which premiered 50 years ago this week — in which a spinster develops a strange infatuation with a ventriloquist, and "Silent Witness," in which a baby is the sole witness to a murder. There are also three episodes directed by Hitch, including "The Perfect Crime," in which "the world's greatest detective" finds he might have made a mistake in a case.

The spooky "Poltergeist" finds a family of five haunted by strange goings-on in their suburban home — you know, the usual stuff: chairs rearranging themselves, a clown doll coming to life, a tree swallowing a kid.

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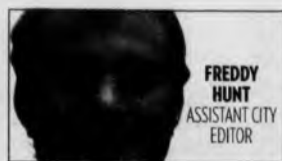
By Alissa O'Neill
Reporter

Pink is the new color of fall. For over 20 years, the month of October has served as Breast Cancer Awareness Month and pink is popping up in stores and on campuses across the nation. The University's campus is no exception.

Sorority Sigma Lambda Gamma's philanthropy is breast cancer awareness. For the month of October the sorority set up a table in the Union to sell pink bracelets to raise money for breast cancer awareness. Sorority president

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CARVE A FACE, HAVE A TASTE



By Freddy Hunt
Assistant City Editor

Sure you can buy pumpkin seeds in a store, but where's your decency?

Store bought pumpkin seeds come from pumpkins that never got the chance to smile, to see the colors of the fall or smell the crisp autumn air. Pumpkins are taken by the patches, placed on a conveyor belt and are systematically smashed, gutted

and canned. I am here to speak up for the un-carved. Could you imagine not having a face? As my first step in the fight for pumpkin's rights, I provide you with this pumpkin seed recipe, so you can roast your own and liberate pumpkins of all shapes and sizes that are literally dying for self expression. To not carve a pumpkin is denying a Jack-o-lantern life.

After you have carved your pumpkin (and you must carve your pumpkin for best results) separate the seeds from the meat chunks by floating them in water.

Lightly coat a cookie sheet with about a tablespoon of vegetable oil or a liberal amount of non stick cooking spray.

Spread your seeds evenly onto the cookie sheet and sprinkle your seeds with spices and seasonings of your liking.

The traditional recipe calls for just salt, but I tried a few other blends that work.

-Salt, garlic salt and seasoned salt

-Creole seasoning, for a spicier taste

-Cinnamon and sugar

Heat your oven to 320 degrees and bake for about 20 minutes. Give the pan a good shake after 10 minutes to make sure none are overlapping so each seed will be packed with flavor.

I like to turn the Jack-o-lantern top over and serve the seeds out of it like a little bowl, it's festive.



JORDAN FLOWER | THE BG NEWS

Movie inspired by Beatles discography, Vietnam War

■ Grade | C

"ACROSS THE UNIVERSE"

WHAT AARON HELFFERICH THINKS:

Out of all the legendary bands you can choose from to design a soundtrack for a movie, director Julie Taymor sided with The Beatles. Therein lies a problem. Only half of the members of The Beatles are still alive today. How do you score a movie when half of the band can't even play?

In Julie Taymor's eyes, the answer was simple. Her latest film, "Across the Universe," tells a love story much like a musical does, but to the tunes of The Beatles. The combination seems fascinatingly original, but the content may be too simple and tiresome.

Everyone, meet Jude, your main character. Now say "Hey Jude." Congratulations, you've just had your first lesson in one of the many references to The Beatles lore in "Across the Universe." Sounds a little easy doesn't it? Well, the most fun you will get out of "Across the Universe" is exactly that.

The story, hidden underneath all of the psychedelic musical scenes, is disappoint-

ingly clichéd and simple. Jude falls in love with Lucy as the nationwide happenings of the 60s tears them apart. Along the way, as if to heighten the dullness of the story, Taymor laces the scenes with lyrics that play mistakenly as coincidence to the story. Needless to say, it's easy to lose interest without the music.

For an aesthetic art form, this film is experimentally brilliant. It is doubtful, though, these images will replace or even be remembered when hearing a Beatles' song replayed on the radio. The bottom line is, "Across the Universe," brings nothing new to the table other than a unique visual interpretation of an original soundtrack from some of the greatest songwriters of all time. If The Beatles catch your fancy, this film is a sure fire enjoyment. If nothing else, just "Let it Be."

■ "Across the Universe" is rated PG-13 for some drug content, nudity, sexuality, violence and language.

■ Runtime: 2 hrs. 11 min.

■ Starring Jim Sturgess and Evan Rachel Wood

■ Directed by Julie Taymor



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SPREADING AWARENESS: Kelley Flenner signs a banner for breast cancer awareness. Her grandmother had died of the disease and she felt a close connection.

PINK

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Laura Saldaña says all proceeds will go directly to breast cancer research.

"The money is going to the Making Strides Walk," Saldaña said. "And all money from the walk goes directly to breast cancer research."

Four members of Bowling Green's Sigma Lambda Gamma chapter are traveling to Grand Rapids, Mich. on Oct. 20 to join other Sigma Lambda Gammas in participating in the Making Strides Walk. All money raised by the Making Strides Walk directly benefits the American Cancer Society and goes toward research, early detection and political advocacy among other efforts.

Sigma Lambda Gamma is also raising money by running a T-shirt sale in conjunction with the American Cancer Society. The "Save the Boobies" shirts have been slowly popping up all over campus and will soon be available for sale at Sigma Lambda Gamma's table in the Union. The shirts cost \$10 and \$5 from each sale will be donated to the American Cancer

Society.

Saldaña mentioned they wanted to have one day during the month of October where students could wear the shirts to raise awareness.

"October 29 is going to be the day when the campus is invited to wear their 'Save the Boobies' shirts to raise awareness," she said.

Another campus organization getting involved with the fight against breast cancer is the University's Organization for Healthy Lifestyles, Bacchus/Gamma. The group has placed cardboard receptacles around campus collecting pink Yoplait yogurt lids as a part of Yoplait's "Save Lids to Save Lives" campaign. For every lid collected, Yoplait will donate ten cents to the Susan G. Komen for the Cure organization.

Bacchus/Gamma Publicity Chair Allison Reynolds says Bacchus/Gamma wanted to get involved since breast cancer is something that affects the students at the University.

"Our participation in this event stems from the fact that Breast Cancer affects our students here at BGSU — whether directly or indirectly," Reynolds said. "Providing an easy yet

effective way to help support this cause gives students the opportunity to actively participate in the fight."

This is Bacchus/Gamma's second year participating in "Save Lids to Save Lives". Last year their efforts garnered 2,000 lids and this year they hope to at least double that number.

Pink and white collection boxes can be found in dining halls across campus including Chilly's, The Sundial, Keeper's, the Union, and the cafeteria in MacDonald Hall.

Reynolds says that Bacchus/Gamma has extended the collection deadline to mid-November and are encouraging students to get other or off-campus organizations involved with their lid drive.

"Many people save lids for a month, and then end-up throwing them away," Reynolds said. "Thus far, we've received outside support from members of Perrysburg Police Department and staff from the University of Toledo's Pediatric Clinic."

For more information concerning either organization's breast cancer awareness efforts contact Allison Reynolds at areyno@bgsu.edu and Laura Saldaña at slaura@bgsu.edu.

ALBUM REVIEWS



■ Scary Kids Scaring Kids
■ Grade | C

"SCARY KIDS SCARING KIDS"

WHAT DAVE HERRERA THINKS: It's very difficult for me to enjoy the new self-titled album from Scary Kids Scaring Kids because I don't think everything and everyone is out to get me.

The band disagrees, and they're armed with screams and loud guitars.

On "Free Again," lead singer Tyson Stevens pants "We can't live this way forever/so run/run with me" on the chorus combines banshee-like screams with highly un-banshee lines like "We'll be richer inside."

Not only is the band convinced of their impending doom, but that doom will be bloody and hellish.

Stevens imagines crashing into a mountain (in a plane, presumably), burning alive and having his head blown off in "A Pistol to my Temple" ("Pull the trigger like it's nothing").

"If we don't believe/there's a reason for living/then we'll never know/do I wanna know?" he asks.

"Watch Me Bleed" is a horribly canned piano-heavy ballad, where Stevens' voice quivers and the manipulative antagonist watches "My colors fade out."

On "Snake Devil," a said devil is "Taking over the world/one heart at a time," and the poor band "Won't live to see the sun rise."

"I would rather just die/than listen to your lies... You've already done the damage/we're a thing of the past," they scream.

No, this record was not made for me. But I honestly hope one day they grow out of their paranoid phase, because the band is musically talented.

"Degenerates" does well at Muse's style, with more keyboards. "Set Sail" and even "Pistol" show a band able to hang back where needed and pushing the beat elsewhere.

"Star Crossed" is especially notable, featuring more creative effects work than just loud-soft. The chorus hits an especially epic note, still relatively mainstream but refreshingly balanced compared to the rest of the record. It's probably the one song I wouldn't mind hearing again.

■ Radiohead
■ Grade | A

"IN RAINBOWS"

WHAT DAVE HERRERA THINKS:

Somewhere after releasing 2003's "Hail to the Thief," Radiohead remembered they used to be a rock band. The result, "In Rainbows," is a stripped-down affair compared to their last few offerings, but another gem all the same.

The band cut back on the electronics on "Hail," and now they're gone almost entirely. Instead, standard guitars-drums-vocal arrangements dominate.

It's not even very loud — "Weird Fishes/Arpeggi" is as intense as things get, with guitars spiraling upwards until the band hits full bloom.

But on "House of Cards" or "Nude," the riffs are simple, just a few delicate strums and the occasional sound effect or string off to the side.

Drummer Phil Selway is the most constant presence. His skittish beat on "15 Steps" is utterly danceable (yes, danceable). On "Jigsaw Falling Into Place" and "Bodysnatchers," he keeps the tempo steady and fairly quick, but never overplays.

Elsewhere, the band chooses atmosphere over power.

"Reckoner" borrows a haunting vocal harmony straight from Queens of the Stone Age (one of several excellent backing vocal tracks on the album), while Selway struts along. Colin Greenwood offers a brooding bassline on "All I Need," while Thom Yorke pines, "I am the next step/waiting in the wings... I am all the days/that you choose to ignore."

For his part, Yorke is his same old moody self. "I love you but enough is enough" he sings on "Faust Arp," a short, string-driven piece with some of Yorke's harshest lyrics. "Wake up/rise and shine it's on again/off again," he says, double tracking his vocals to sound like Elliot Smith.

"In Rainbows" is vastly different from its predecessors. This time, the joy of listening to it is that there's actually joy in listening to it. It doesn't require serious legwork to appreciate. It's simply well-played music from very talented people.

After scandal, Don Imus is back on the radio as a morning host

By David Freedlander
MCT

NEW YORK — Don Imus, how can we miss you if you won't go away?

Only six months after leaving the airwaves in disgrace, the I-Man finds himself at the center of another media storm, this time after a Web report Monday that he'd inked a multimillion-dollar deal with WABC-AM to become the New York talk-radio



Don Imus

Made a deal with the station WABC-AM in New York

station's new morning drive-time host.

The item on the Drudge Report set off a flurry of media activ-

ity as well as buzz in the blogosphere. Numerous phone calls to WABC-AM and its corporate parent, Citadel Broadcasting, were not returned.

Phil Boyce, WABC's program director and Citadel Broadcasting vice president of news/talk programming, told Newsday Monday that he had nothing to announce, and wasn't exactly certain when he would.

Many were shocked that Imus

has been able to bounce back so quickly from such a sudden fall.

"How can America's memory be so short," asked Sonia Ossorio, president of the New York City chapter of the National Organization for Women. "It was only six months ago that he was on the air denigrating young black women who were just out there trying to play ball."

"A lot of people say he's suffering, but how can he be suffering when he got six months off

and somewhere between \$10-20 million payout from CBS," she continued, referring to Imus' settlement with his previous employer.

Others were hopeful that a comeback by the shock jock meant that he could atone for some of his more outrageous statements of the past.

"Reconciliation is rooted in my religious faith and in my own life," said civil rights pioneer Rev. Herbert Daughtry.

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MOVIE PREVIEWS



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"30 DAYS OF NIGHT"

■ Advanced Grade | A

WHAT JOE CUNNINGHAM THINKS: Since the success of "Sin City" in 2005, there have been a fairly large number of graphic novels that have been adapted into major motion pictures. Most recently there have been such big hits as "300" and "V for Vendetta." So, it was a forgone conclusion the trend would continue, and it does this week with the vampire flick "30 Days of Night."

The film is a story of an Alaskan town that is attacked by a group of vampires after it is plunged into darkness for a month. It stars

Josh Hartnett ("Sin City") and Ben Foster ("Alpha Dog") as two of the survivors forced to defend themselves against the seemingly endless assault from the supernatural beings.

"30 Days of Night" is directed by David Slade, who came into prominence at the 2005 Sundance Film Festival with his controversial hit "Hard Candy." His follow up film, while not as controversial, looks to be the makeover of a dying genre, the vampire flick, which has been needed for some time now. With a strong cast that has some of the brightest stars (especially Ben Foster who has quickly become one of the premiere talents to emerge within the past few years) and a screenwriter who has penned such hits as "Collateral" and the "Pirates of the Caribbean" trilogy looks to be a recipe of success for this film. Which looks to be one of the freshest horror films to come out as of late. But with some of the junk that has come out lately, that is not a hard thing to do.

The film looks to be the first in a series of strong releases that will be leading up to the end of the year, and if that's any indication, we are in for a real good end of the year run of movies.

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SIDELINES



SOFTBALL

Softball team announces full 2008 season schedule

The team will compete in four non-conference tournaments before starting MAC play and will have games against four teams who were in the 2007 NCAA tournament. The Falcons will be on the road for most of their schedule.

ONLINE

The BG News sports blog

Be sure to check out The BG News sports blog for extra information on all of your favorite Falcons teams. <http://www.bgnewssports.blogspot.com>

SCHEDULE

TODAY

Women's soccer:

at Ball State; 3 p.m.

Volleyball:

at Toledo; 7 p.m.

Cross country:

at Tiffin Open; 4:30 p.m.

Swimming:

Tom Stubbs Relays at BG; 11 a.m.

SATURDAY

Football:

at Kent State; 4 p.m.

Radio: WBGU-FM (88.1)

Volleyball:

at Ball State; 7 p.m.

Men's soccer:

at Akron; 7:30 p.m.

SUNDAY

Women's soccer:

at Miami (OH); 1 p.m.

OUR CALL

Today in Sports History

1991—Longest NCAA football game (3 hrs., 52 min.). Rhode Island beats Maine 52-30 in six overtimes.

1957—Maurice "Rocket" Richard becomes the first NHL player to score 500 goals.

The List

The ALCS has yet to be decided, but, inexplicably, the Colorado Rockies are already in the World Series. Here are five reasons to be happy for them.

1. They're young:

Who would've thought that this young a team would go so far?

2. The franchise: This team has been a doormat roughly every year since the team was created in 1993.

3. Underdogs:

Honestly, who picked these guys to even make the playoffs?

4. Momentum: They've won 20 of 21 games. They're scorching right now.

5. Todd Helton: A great player and an all-around good guy. He deserves to finally play for a ring.

Tribe can't seal the deal at home, ALCS back to Boston

By Tom Withers
The Associated Press



AL BEHRMAN | AP PHOTO
DENIED: The Indians lost yesterday, 7-1.

CLEVELAND — Back to Boston they go. Just the Red Sox being the Red Sox.

Josh Beckett, blocking out everything but Jason Varitek's target, dominated the Cleveland Indians for the second time and Manny Ramirez drove in the go-ahead run with a 390-foot single as the Red Sox stayed alive in the AL championship series with a 7-1 win last night in Game 5.

Kevin Youkilis set the tone with a first-inning homer off C.C. Sabathia. The Red Sox, trailing 3-2, sent the best-of-seven series back to Fenway Park to continue

a season that was on the brink of being canned for the cold New England winter.

The Red Sox — and Beckett — have done this before. And clearly, Ramirez & Co. cared.

In 2004, Boston rallied from an 0-3 deficit to win the 2004 ALCS against the New York Yankees and went on to sweep the St. Louis Cardinals in four straight for its first World Series title since 1918.

The Red Sox forced a Game 6 on Saturday night, and will start one of October's brightest stars, Curt Schilling, who has 9-3 record in 17 career postseason starts, against Fausto Carmona.

Beckett, the calm, cool and cocky 20-game winner, ignored

a shrilling crowd, some chirping from Indians outfielder Kenny Lofton and even the appearance of an old girlfriend to deny Cleveland fans a chance to see their first pennant-clinching win at home.

In the late innings, drummer John Adams, whose tom-tom beat has pulsed through a special season at Jacobs Field, slumped against his instrument as the Red Sox tacked on runs. Meanwhile, in the Boston bullpen, two relievers used water bottles to playfully bang on backup catcher Doug Mirabeli's shinguards.

The 27-year-old Beckett, who beat Cleveland in the opener, once again came through with

the stakes at their highest.

The right-hander allowed only a run in the first, and five total hits in eight innings. He struck out 11, walked one and was around the plate with almost every one of his 109 pitches.

Beckett, who with each start carves his name deeper among the postseason pitching elite, is no stranger to comebacks.

In 2003, he pitched a two-hitter for Florida in Game 5 of the NLCS as the Marlins rallied from a 3-1 deficit to eliminate the Chicago Cubs. Then, pitching on just three days' rest in Game 6 of the World Series at Yankee Stadium, he allowed only five hits in a 2-0 win and was picked as MVP.

Team on the rebound



JORDAN FLOWER | THE BG NEWS
MOVING FORWARD: Freddie Barnes (7) and the rest of the BG football team will look to get back in the win column tomorrow against MAC foe Kent State. BG is currently 3-3.

Falcons looking to bounce back against Kent State

By Bill Bordewick
Reporter

Contrary to popular belief, getting beat by 47-14 by a divisional foe is probably not the best formula for success going forward.

Can the Falcons turn the page on this season with a good performance at Kent State tomorrow? Or will this season go the way last season went which spiraled into a 4-8 season?

The Falcons will tell you this is a different team from last year's squad.

"I think last year was a completely different deal than this

"I think that [Miami] game showed us that winning is fragile, and there is a fine line between a winning team and a losing team."

Tyler Sheehan | Quarterback

year, aside from the confidence," said coach Gregg Brandon. "The thing that we have to do is stay focused with the kids, stay positive with them, and make sure that they understand the reason we lost the Miami game was critical errors and we didn't take advantage of their errors."

Those critical errors led to the Falcons leaving Oxford with

a resounding 33 point defeat with very little bright spots on either side of the ball.

Probably the lone bright spot for the Falcons was cornerback Roger Williams Jr. on kickoff returns. Williams had seven returns for 172 yards and will be willing to do whatever he's asked of in an effort to get the win.

"I'm expecting to continue what I was doing these past couple of games on my return yards with the help of my kick-off return team," Williams said. "We've been talking about how there is going to be no drop-off this week."

The keys to a Falcons victory, however, probably do not include Williams returning the ball seven times because that means the defense is continually giving up points and that is not a good way to win games.

They are going to need to get

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Orr installing new system and new attitude to team

By Colin Wilson
Sports Editor



Louis Orr
Men's basketball coach:

Wants team to run on offense

CLEVELAND—The BG men's basketball team has a new coach in Louis Orr. With him he brings a new system, a new philosophy and a new attitude. But the Falcons still have the same goal — win basketball games.

"I want them to believe in themselves and I want them to have high goals," Orr said. "The will to win has to be there."

At the annual Mid-American Conference media day at Quicken Loans Arena, Orr talked about his new system and the way it would accommodate the players he inherited from previous coach Dan Dakich. Orr has an offensive system which involves a lot of driving to the basket and running the floor.

"I want to run and I think most young guys want to run," Orr said.

The Falcons have experience. They lost just two play-

ers to graduation in Martin Samanco and Matt Lefeld, but were still picked to finish at the bottom of the conference just like last year.

Three freshmen join BG in Joe Jakubowski, Cameron Madlock and Chris Knight. Knight will red-shirt while Orr hopes Madlock and Jakubowski will make an impact right away.

Orr brings a lot different attitude than his predecessor. While Dakich had a tendency

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Women's hoops enjoys being underdogs again

By Colin Wilson
Sports Editor



Curt Miller
Women's basketball coach:

Will have a young team this season

CLEVELAND—For the first time in a while, Curt Miller and the BG women's basketball team are back to being underdogs. For Miller, that is a good thing.

"We relish the role we're in right now because we're not the team to beat," Miller said.

Miller's team is a three-time conference champion in the Mid-American Conference, but was picked to finish second in the East Division in the preseason poll. In the past two seasons, the Falcons have only lost one game within the conference. That loss came to Ohio, who was picked to finish first in the East.

The reason the Falcons weren't picked first was more than likely the loss of five talented seniors to graduation. Ali Mann, Liz Honegger, Carin Horne, Megan Thorburn and Amber Flynn combined for nearly 6,000 points in their careers at BG. Now the

Falcons have seven freshmen in place of their senior class.

While he'll miss the great play of the class of 2007, Miller looks forward to getting back to basics.

"The last couple of years I just felt like I was just managing and trying to put players in positions to be successful and keep it rolling," Miller said. "We really are teaching again and that makes it exciting and energizing for the staff."

The team's gritty point guard is still in the backcourt, though. Kate Achter is one of two seniors and is being put into a role she may not be used to. But like a



BRIAN BORNHOEFF | THE BG NEWS
HEADED DOWN: The BG men's soccer team's record is 3-8-3 on the season.

Men's soccer starts off slow, loses to Michigan

By Pete Schramm
Reporter

The BG men's soccer team lost 5-2 to Michigan on Wednesday, dropping their overall record to 3-8-3. BG received goals from freshman Nathanyal Thomas and sophomore Cameron Hepple in the effort.

The Falcons came out of the gate sluggishly, and according to Hepple, that lead to a poor first half performance.

"I thought we played bad in the first half," Hepple said.

"We weren't mentally into it, and we kept making silly mistakes that we got punished for," he said.

Michigan wasted no time capitalizing as it took them just 2:51 to score their first goal. The Wolverines continued their scoring streak, netting 3 more first half goals, including two by Steve Bonnell.

Down 4-0 at the half, the Falcons regrouped and came out stronger for the second half.

"After we realized that we had to come back into the game we started to play harder and play with a little bit more heart and some pride, and in the second half we just started to play a lot better," Hepple said.

Just over 12 minutes into the second half, Hepple scored the first Falcon goal of the match with a header into the left corner of the net.

"I just tried to get my body in front of the keeper so he would just mess up somehow," Hepple said. "It just popped up off the top of my head and went into the back of the net."

Unfortunately for BG, Michigan would answer with just over 15 minutes left in the match, when they scored their fifth and final goal. The Falcons' Nathanyal Thomas was able to add another goal late for BG when he bent a shot past the leaping goalkeeper, but it was too little too late.

The Falcons were forced to play the game without starters Abiola Sandy, Thomas McLean, and Dusko Topolic, but were still able to manage

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true leader, Achter is more than ready to take on that role.

"I only have one year left and I want to leave this program with a legacy," she said. "I want to prepare the players he's going to have next year."

Both Miller and Achter expressed a lot of confidence in the incoming class.

"They're very excited to showcase their skills, it's very hard to play behind a class that large," Achter said.

But no matter what ranking the Falcons get in the pre-season or who is on the court wearing orange jerseys, they will be MAC Champions until another team is.

"Until someone wins that MAC Championship next year we're going to be on top," Achter said. "There are a lot of teams out there that are going to beat us whether we have six

seniors or seven freshmen."

The Falcons are coming off a 27-4 season in which they reached the third round of the NCAA Tournament. Now they'll have to play a season with a whole new roster.

"We didn't have to deal with too many lows in recent years but we're going to have to deal with the ups and downs that come along with the season," Miller said.

"We're going to be ready for that challenge."

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BG preseason ranking: The Falcons were picked to finish second in the MAC East. They received 11 first place votes.

The frontrunner: Ohio University was picked to finish first in the division. They received 17 first place votes compared to BG's 11.

Baker retains five coaches, will keep Pole on as Reds pitching coach



DAVID KOHL | AP PHOTO
MAKING MOVES: Dusty Baker will keep Dick Pole on as Reds' pitching coach.

CINCINNATI — New Cincinnati Reds manager Dusty Baker kept Dick Pole as the team's pitching coach yesterday, a move that reunites

Baker with one of his top assistants from his days with the San Francisco Giants.

Pole, 57, was Baker's pitching coach with the Giants from 1993-1997. Pole was hired by the Reds for last season, and has already provided Baker with his insights on the pitching staff.

The Reds also extended the contracts of third base coach Mark Berry, first base coach Billy Hatcher, hitting coach Brook Jacoby and bullpen catcher Mike Stefanski.

Bullpen coach Tom Hume was not offered another contract after 11 seasons on the staff.

Baker hasn't hired a bench coach yet. Pat Kelly, who was added to the staff as bench coach when interim manager Pete Mackanin took over last July, will go back to managing the Reds' farm club in Sarasota.

THE BG NEWS PICKS OF THE WEEK

Well folks, Kent's next up on the MAC schedule for the Falcons. The conference's best running game and secondary (Kent) against one of its best passing offenses (BG). This week we have Lindsay Jonkhoff of the women's golf team joining us to share pick 'em wisdom.



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Lindsay Jonkhoff
BG Golfer

BG @ Kent State

Kent -5.5

Michigan State @ No. 1 Ohio State

OSU -17

No. 24 Michigan @ Illinois

Michigan +3

No. 5 LSU @ Auburn

Michigan -6

Florida @ No. 7 Kentucky

Kentucky -7

No. 2 South Florida @ Rutgers

South Florida +2.5

Overall record

I'm just excited to go home and have my mom cook me dinner. This football game should be fun too.

BG 31, Kent State 27

Cleveland connection here: Brian Hoyer (St. Ignace) vs. Glenville High School's alumni team.

OSU 24, MSU 21

Michigan keeps rolling leading up to that OSU game when they whoop up on the No. 1 Buckeyes.

Michigan 31, Illinois 17

It's going to be a tough task to beat the Tigers for the second consecutive week. I think Tommy T's gonna pull it off.

Auburn 24, LSU 17

Florida is not going to lose three games in a matter of a month. Kentucky didn't even have enough game to beat Spurrier.

Florida 21, Kentucky 17

South Florida is the real deal. Rutgers had their time last year. Think the BCS regrets letting the Big East in?

South Florida 17, Rutgers 13

Maybe this week Anthony Turner will get to mix in a pass with all those QB keepers. Then again, probably not. Kent's running game shines in this one.

BG 31, Kent State 34

Spartans! What is your profession? This week, it's losing to the #1 Buckeyes. Man, I hate "300" references.

OSU 21, MSU 10

Remember when Hart, Henne and Long all came back to win that national title and beat OSU? How's that turning out so far?

Michigan 28, Illinois 51

LSU should win this game based on sheer anger over losing to Kentucky. Sorry Auburn.

Auburn 21, LSU 48

Tim Tebow is apparently God's gift to football, but Kentucky's riding high after beating LSU. I'm taking the Wildcats.

Florida 28, Kentucky 34

South Florida being the #2 team in the BCS may be the biggest sign yet of the apocalypse. Still, they'll beat Rutgers.

South Florida 24, Rutgers 10

The Flashes are about the worst team BG could be going up against right now, as their running game will tear up the Falcons' defense.

Kent State 35, BG 17

The roughest part of OSU's schedule starts with this game against the Spartans. They'll win this time, but maybe not in the future.

OSU 36, MSU 30

Both teams match up well with each other, but I'm giving the streaking Wolverines the slightest edge here.

Michigan 35, Illinois 34

LSU is gonna be angry for blowing that game against Kentucky. Auburn's just unlucky enough to play them this week.

LSU 45, Auburn 21

Regardless of who loses, we win. This is going to be another incredible SEC game and further proof why they're the best conference period.

Florida 31, Kentucky 27

A South Florida win in a slugfest means that Nos. 1 and 2 win this week. When's the last time that happened this year?

South Florida 27, Rutgers 24

BG will come out on top, but they will have to watch out for Kent's running back Eugene Jarvis.

BG 24, Kent State 20

Sorry Spartan fans, but OSU will dominate this game.

OSU 48, MSU 28

Two words: Go Blue.

Michigan 35, Illinois 21

This could be a close game, but Auburn's defense will be unable to stop the Tigers QB Flynn who'll put on an impressive show.

LSU 35, Auburn 14

Kentucky will ride the wave of its last victory to defeat the Gators.

Kentucky 38, Florida 35

South Florida will keep their perfect season hopes alive with the easy victory over the Scarlet Knights.

South Florida 54, Rutgers 7

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to be constantly intense, Orr's approach is more about explaining things and can be seen as laid back in a way.

"You can't yell all the time, I can't," Orr said. "It kind of loses its effect."

His players are enjoying the new style of coaching as well.

"He makes people comfortable," said guard Darryl Clements. "He doesn't make people nervous or scared to make a play."

"He wants you to make plays

and if you mess up then make it up on defense."

Orr said he likes to treat coaching like being a father. He builds relationships with all his players and learns the best way to teach them. It was pretty evident he has already learned a lot of things about his players in the few months since his hiring.

"We've [all] spent a lot of time together and we've gotten really familiar," Clements said.

While Orr's offensive philosophy is to spread the floor and run the fast break, his key to success will be defense.

"My thing is that if you can defend and rebound, you're going

to give yourself a chance to win," he said.

This season might have similar results as '06 and '07. The Falcons are coming off a 3-13 conference season and their leading scorer graduated. But now the offense won't revolve around one person as it did with Martin Samarco.

The nine returning letter-winners that occupy BG's roster will have opportunities to contribute on offense.

"Everyone is confident in each other," Clements said. "We'll make the extra pass a lot more."

They've only had five team practices up to this point, so there are still a lot of question marks for

the team. But Orr has a positive attitude about what he can start to build in this season.

"We're just trying to lay a foundation and we'll take as many wins as we can get," he said.

2007-08 Outlook

BG preseason ranking: The Falcons were picked to finish sixth in the MAC East.

The frontrunners: Kent State was picked to finish atop the East division, but only narrowly beat out Miami (OH) in the voting.

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something going on offense and actually stop somebody on defense. These things came so easy earlier in the season, but now it seems as if the team has fallen off the wagon.

The offense seems lost and the defense is not getting to the quarterback as productively as it was. The Miami game definitely made everyone on the team take a long look at themselves and figure out what had gone wrong.

"[The Miami loss] humbled us a little bit, because we've been riding high all season with a couple big wins," said quarterback Tyler Sheehan.

"I think that game showed us that winning is fragile, and there is a fine line between being a winning team and a losing team."

The Falcons will need to walk that fine line in order to beat Kent State, who is coming off a resounding defeat of their own at the hands of Ohio State by a score of 48-3.

The Flashes run the ball very effectively and they will look to do that again against BG, who gave up 262 yards on the ground against Miami.

"They are a good team," said linebacker John Haneline. "They can run the ball very well, and they've got some great skill at the offensive positions. We've just got to get the game plan and prepare for them."

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15 shots to Michigan's 17. The Wolverines, who just dropped out of the national top 25 this week, would have been the third ranked opponent BG has faced this year, joining then No. 19 Ohio State and then No. 24 Michigan State — both of which ended in a 1-0 loss for the Falcons.

Hepple said Michigan was good, but certainly beatable. "I just thought they were really organized," Hepple said.

"If we had come out playing how we did in the second half, it would've been a totally different game, and I'm pretty sure we would've won," he said.

"We weren't mentally in to it, and we kept making silly mistakes that we got punished for."

Cameron Hepple | Soccer player

The Falcons will face yet another ranked opponent tomorrow when they hit the road to take on the No. 23 Akron Zips for the team's final regular season road game of the year. They will then return home on Oct. 24 to face the University of Detroit as part of a three game home stand to cap off the regular season.

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The Falcons are looking to get back in the win column when they travel to Kent State this Saturday on 88.1 FM WBGU. Listen to the Ziggy Zoomba's Pregame show at 3 pm with the Kickoff at 4 pm.

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Torre will not return to Yankees next season

By Ronald Blum
The Associated Press

NEW YORK — After all he had accomplished — four World Series titles, 12 straight years in the playoffs, almost certain entry into the Hall of Fame — and after all the indignities, this was one Joe Torre wasn't going to stand for.

He wasn't going to take a pay cut from the New York Yankees, no matter that he still would have been the highest-paid manager in baseball, and he certainly wasn't going to prove himself all over again.

Torre walked away yesterday, turning down a \$5 million, one-year contract — \$2.5 million less than he made this season, when the Yankees failed to make it past the first round of the playoffs for the third straight year.

"A difficult day," general manager Brian Cashman said. "He will always be a Yankee."

Bench coach Don Mattingly is the leading contender to replace Torre. Yankees broadcaster Joe Girardi, the NL Manager of the Year with Florida in 2006, is another top contender. Tony La Russa and Bobby Valentine also could be considered.

Most Yankees fans could see this day coming.

After losing the first two playoff games to Cleveland, owner George Steinbrenner said he didn't think Torre would be asked back if the Yankees didn't advance. New York hasn't won



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THAT'S ALL FOLKS: Joe Torre will not manage the Yankees next season.

it all since 2000.

Torre took a morning flight to Tampa, Fla., to meet for an hour with Steinbrenner, his sons and team management. Torre listened to the offer and said it wasn't acceptable. They shook hands and Torre headed home.

Torre declined to speak to a group of reporters gathered outside his house in suburban Harrison. His wife, Ali, arrived a few minutes later and said their time in New York had been fun.

"It's always difficult to say goodbye," she said, "but there's always hello."

The 67-year-old Torre, who made the playoffs in every year with the Yankees, scheduled

a news conference for Friday. He indicated last week that he might be interested in managing elsewhere.

New York's offer included \$3 million in bonuses if the Yankees reached next year's World Series and an \$8 million option for 2009 that would have become guaranteed if New York won the AL pennant.

Torre just completed a \$19.2 million, three-year contract. The Chicago Cubs' Lou Piniella was the second-highest paid manager at \$3.5 million.

"Under this offer, he would continue to be the highest-paid manager in Major League Baseball," team president Randy Levine said. "We thought

that we need to go to a performance-based model, having nothing to do with Joe Torre's character, integrity or ability. We just think it's important to motivate people."

It appeared to be an offer designed to be rejected. Scott Boras, the agent for Yankees star Alex Rodriguez, said players would have interpreted an acceptance by Torre as weakness.

"It is difficult, near impossible, to accept a salary cut," Boras said. "Successful people can afford their principles. They understand if they accept the position, there is a great risk the message to all under him is dissatisfaction."

Torre called Cashman on Tuesday and asked to meet with the 77-year-old Steinbrenner and the owners' sons, Hal and Hank, who have taken an increased role in the recent month. They spent an hour together, and then Torre was gone.

Steinbrenner let his sons do the talking.

"The objective of the Yankees since the '20s has been to win the championship every year, just as the objective of (Vince) Lombardi with the Packers was or (Bill) Belichick and the Patriots," Hank said. "None of us think we can win the championship every year, but that's the goal. Period."

Torre led the Yankees to 10 AL East titles, but they haven't reached the World Series since 2003.

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Palmer apologizes to teammates for outbursts during season's bad start



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TICKED OFF: Carson Palmer apologized for getting angry at teammates during games.

By Joe Kay
The Associated Press

CINCINNATI — Carson Palmer is sorry.

Sorry that he blew up at receiver Chad Johnson for running the wrong route. Sorry that he's lost his cool during the Cincinnati Bengals' awful start. Sorry that his easygoing temperament has failed him on the field.

Not that anyone blames him.

The Pro Bowl MVP has vented his anger in the last two games, something quite out of character for the laid-back quarterback from California. A 1-4 start will do that.

"I think everybody's a little bit on edge around here," Palmer said. "We have boards in the offensive and defensive rooms, and every time you look up at them and see our production and our record

"I have lost my cool a couple of times, and I apologize for that."

Carson Palmer | Bengals QB

there, you're just naturally on edge because you have such high expectations.

"I have lost my cool a couple of times, and I apologize for that. I'll try to contain myself and be calm."

Usually, Palmer is the club's voice of reason during tough times. When things go bad, he acknowledges the problems and accepts a bigger share of the blame than necessary. When teammates squabble, he tries to restore the peace.

Browns players feel like playoffs are possible



AMY SANCETTA | AP PHOTO
PLAYOFFS?: The Browns are confident and are optimistic about a playoff run.

By Tom Withers
The Associated Press

CLEVELAND — As if this on-any-given-Sunday-or-Monday-night NFL season wasn't wacky enough, check out this bit of craziness: The Cleveland Browns are talking playoffs.

Believe it, all you Jim Mora sound-a-likes. The Browns are

dead serious.

"We definitely feel we can make the playoffs," wide receiver Braylon Edwards said. "That's ultimately our goal."

And why shouldn't it be? With a favorable schedule ahead, the Browns, 3-3 at their bye week, are positioned to make a run at the AFC's postseason for just the second time since their 1999 expansion rebirth.

An ambitious goal for sure, but an attainable one for the rapidly improving Browns, who were 1-5 and going nowhere at this time last season.

Running back Jamal Lewis, one of Cleveland's impact free-agent signings, senses a team coming together.

"It's not just that playoff feel, but we're doing things the right way right now and we're not taking steps backward," said Lewis, who missed the past two games with a foot injury he described as "nothing serious."

"If we can keep moving forward and keep doing what we're doing and improve on what we've been doing wrong I think we can go that (playoff) route. It's within reach."



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Lost hiker found alive

By Tom Breen
The Associated Press

CHARLESTON, W.Va. — An autistic hiker lost in the wilderness for four days has been found alive and reunited with his family, a spokesman for the search effort said yesterday afternoon.

Spokesman Chris Stadelman provided few details on Jacob Allen's condition but said the 18-year-old was found by a team of nine searchers in the Monongahela National Forest.

"The family is all together," he said. "As soon as they heard the report he was alive and doing fairly well, they gathered in a prayer circle."

The Inter-Mountain newspaper reported that Allen was taken

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Chris Stadelman | Spokesman for the Search Effort

to Davis Memorial Hospital, but a spokeswoman for the hospital declined to comment.

"I think the whole state's relieved," said Lara Ramsburg, spokeswoman for Gov. Joe Manchin, who visited the Allen family Wednesday night. "We're all relieved for him and his family."

Allen wandered away from his parents Sunday afternoon. Hundreds of volunteers and trained professionals had been combing the woods, calling for

him to come to them for candy bars, ice cream and other food.

Allen had no food or water with him, but Stadelman had said there were natural water sources in the search area, which consists of about 10 square miles of often steep and brush-covered terrain.

Overnight temperatures dropped to as low as 38 degrees on the nights Allen was missing. He was wearing hiking boots, a long-sleeved T-shirt, a wind jacket and wind pants.



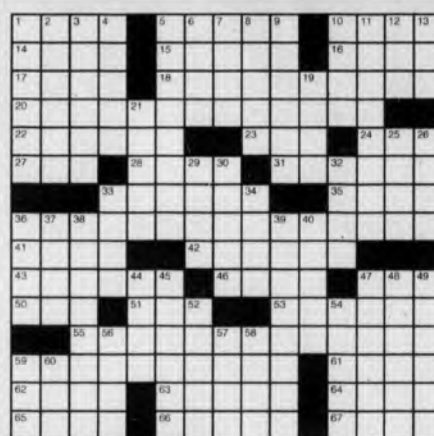
CHRIS STADELMAN | THE PARSONS ADVOCATE

IN SEARCH OF: Volunteers and trained rescuers get instructions before searching for 18-year-old missing hiker, Jacob Allen, on Monday.

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ANSWERS



Just say no to selling to Iran or Syria

Israeli leader asks Russian leader to support sanctions against Iran

By Mansur Mirovalev
The Associated Press

MOSCOW — Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Olmert pressed Russian President Vladimir Putin yesterday to support new sanctions against Iran over its nuclear activities and urged Russia not to sell arms to Iran or Syria.

Olmert's brief, abruptly announced visit came days after Putin traveled to Iran and met with its president, Mahmoud Ahmadinejad, who has publicly called for Israel's demise. During the trip, Putin vowed to support Iran's pursuit of nuclear energy and warned "outside forces" — an apparent reference to the U.S. — against attacking Tehran.

In a three-hour meeting with Putin, Olmert "expressed his opinion that effective sanctions by all the international community would have the potential to stop Iran pursuing the nuclear path," said Miri Eisin, the Israeli prime minister's spokeswoman.

Russia has resisted further U.N. sanctions against Iran over its refusal to halt uranium enrichment and other activities that Israel and the U.S. say are aimed at developing nuclear weapons. Iran insists its nuclear program is for energy production alone.

Eisin said Olmert's visit was



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HUGS NOT NUKES: Russian President Vladimir Putin, right, shakes hands with Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Olmert during their meeting at the Kremlin in Moscow yesterday.

scheduled several days ago, but it was announced only after Putin returned from Iran.

As he and Olmert sat down for talks, Putin acknowledged the Israeli leader's dismay over Iran's nuclear program and promised to discuss his meetings in Tehran.

"We know how concerned you are about the situation surrounding the Iranian [nuclear program]," said Putin, the first Kremlin leader to visit Iran since 1943. "I am ready to share the results of my visit."

Olmert expressed eagerness "to hear from you about the results of your trip to Iran and talk about other concerns."

The Kremlin later released a brief statement saying that Putin, at Olmert's request, briefed the Israeli leader on "the

main results of his recent visit to Tehran."

Putin sought to assuage both Iran and the West during his trip, a delicate balancing act reflecting his reach for global influence and desire to preserve warm ties with a Middle Eastern ally without angering Washington.

By rejecting Iranian pressure to set a firm startup date for a nuclear power plant Russia is building in Iran, Putin signaled that he was using Moscow's levers of influence to nudge Tehran toward cooperation with the international community.

But Putin also warned against attacking Iran, a boost to a country that has felt increasingly isolated and fearful of a U.S. attack.

Not snakes on a plane, it's a snake on a toilet

NEW YORK (AP) — There was no Halloween bogeyman in the closet for one Brooklyn woman — just a 7-foot-long python in her toilet.

Nadege Brunacci was washing her hands in her bathroom before dawn Monday when she glanced back and saw the slithering serpent peeking out from her toilet, most of its body hidden in the pipes.

"I turned on the light and screamed," Brunacci, 38, told the New York Daily News. "It still makes my heart race."

Brunacci slammed down the lid, put a heavy box on top of the toilet and began calling for help, which came from her landlord and firefighters. Plumbers had to tear apart the downstairs neighbor's pipes to capture the snake, she said.

It's unclear how the snake made its way into the pipes. Brunacci, a restaurateur, says she gave the snake to a friend who keeps it as a pet and named it after her.

Brunacci says she started using her daughter's training toilet after the scare in her third-floor apartment. And when she brushes her teeth, she said, "I'm looking over my shoulder."

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